

EPA's SBAR Pre-Panel Outreach Meeting with Small Entity Representatives on Proposed Rulemaking for Methylene Chloride under TSCA Section 6(a)

Wednesday, November 4, 2020. 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, Eastern time zone

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Agenda

- 10:00 Welcome and Introductions of Panel member representatives (EPA Office of Policy, SBA Advocacy, OMB Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs)
- 10:10 Opening remarks (EPA Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention)
- 10:15 Participant introductions
- 10:25 Presentation on Proposed Rulemaking for Methylene Chloride under TSCA Section 6(a) (Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention)
- Consultations with Small Entity Representatives
 - Overview of the unreasonable risk determinations in the risk evaluation and the risk management requirements under TSCA
 - Overview of conditions of use in the rulemaking and basis for unreasonable risk determination
 - Section 6 risk management overview: EPA's authority to regulate occupational and consumer risks, key "tools in the toolbox" for managing unreasonable risks
 - Questions to SERs
- 10:45 Conditions of use with unreasonable risk determinations. (*See list at end for all conditions of use by group*). For each group, EPA's presentation will be followed by discussion of:
- Detailed description of the use,
 - Unreasonable risks EPA identified in the risk evaluation,
 - Your experience with exposure control and risk reduction,
 - Possible risk management actions,
 - Cost associated with implementations,
 - Available alternatives, and
 - Other implementation considerations
- 10:45 Group 1: Industrial vapor degreasing and cold cleaning uses
- 11:30 Group 2: Commercial use of paints, coatings, and their removers

- 12:15 Break (Lunch)
- 1:00 Group 3: Industrial and commercial use of other packaged or “off-the-shelf” formulated products
- 1:45 Group 4: Industrial uses of formulations made on on-site or facility-specific formulations containing methylene chloride
- 2:30 Group 5: Other industrial and commercial uses
- 3:15 Group 6: Retailers and distributors, consumer uses
- 4:00 Group 7: Formulators and processors
- 4:45 Closing Session:
- Closing remarks from EPA, SBA, and OMB
 - Wrap up and next steps (What to expect next)
- 5:00 Adjourn

Condition of Use Discussion Groups

Group 1: Industrial vapor degreasing and cold cleaning uses:

- Includes the following conditions of use:
 - Industrial and commercial use as solvent for batch vapor degreasing
 - Industrial and commercial use as solvent for in-line vapor degreasing
 - Industrial and commercial use as solvent for cold cleaning

Group 2: Commercial use of paints, coatings and their removers:

- Includes the following conditions of use:
 - Industrial and commercial use in paints and coatings
 - Industrial and commercial use in paint and coating removers

Group 3: Industrial and commercial use of packaged or “off-the-shelf” formulated products (except commercial users of paint, coatings, and their removers):

- Includes the following conditions of use:
 - Industrial and commercial use as solvent for aerosol spray degreaser/cleaner
 - Industrial and commercial use in metal aerosol degreasers
 - Industrial and commercial use in aerosol degreasers and cleaners
 - Industrial and commercial use in adhesives, sealants and caulks
 - Industrial and commercial use in cold pipe insulations
 - Industrial and commercial use in anti-spatter welding aerosol
 - Industrial and commercial use for spot removers for apparel and textiles
 - Industrial and commercial use for apparel and footwear care products
 - Industrial and commercial use for finishing products for fabric, textiles, and leather
 - Industrial and commercial use in liquid lubricants and greases
 - Industrial and commercial use in spray lubricants and greases
 - Industrial and commercial use in adhesive and caulk removers
 - Industrial and commercial use in carbon remover, wood flood cleaner, and brush cleaner
 - Industrial and commercial use in automotive care products (functional fluids for air conditioners)
 - Industrial and commercial use in automotive care products (interior car care)
 - Industrial and commercial use in automotive care products (degreasers)
 - Industrial and commercial use in non-aerosol degreasers and cleaners
 - Industrial and commercial use in metal non-aerosol degreasers

Group 4: Industrial use of formulations made on on-site or facility-specific formulations containing methylene chloride:

- Includes the following conditions of use:
 - Industrial and commercial use in adhesives, sealants and caulks
 - Industrial and commercial use in paint and coating removers
 - Industrial and commercial use in adhesive and caulk removers
 - Industrial and commercial use in liquid lubricants and greases
 - Industrial and commercial use in spray lubricants and greases

- Industrial and commercial use in lithographic printing plate cleaner
- Industrial and commercial use in carbon remover, wood flood cleaner, and brush cleaner

Group 5: Other industrial and commercial uses:

- Includes the following conditions of use:
 - Industrial and commercial use for electrical equipment, appliance, and component manufacturing
 - Industrial and commercial use for plastic and rubber products manufacturing
 - Industrial and commercial use in cellulose triacetate film production
 - Industrial and commercial use in toys, playground and sporting equipment
 - Industrial and commercial use as propellant and blowing agent
 - Industrial and commercial use as a processing aid

Group 6: Retailers and distributors, consumer uses:

- Retailers or distributors of methylene chloride or products containing methylene chloride under any of the conditions of use in the scope of the rulemaking, including:
 - Consumer use as solvent in aerosol degreasers/cleaners
 - Consumer use in adhesives and sealants
 - Consumer use in brush cleaners for paints and coatings
 - Consumer use in adhesive and caulk removers
 - Consumer use in metal degreasers
 - Consumer use in automotive care products (functional fluids for air conditioners)
 - Consumer use in automotive care products (degreasers)
 - Consumer use in lubricants and greases
 - Consumer use in cold pipe insulation
 - Consumer use in arts, crafts, and hobby materials glue
 - Consumer use in an anti-spatter welding aerosol
 - Consumer use in carbon removers and other brush cleaners

Group 7: Formulators and processors:

- Formulators of products containing methylene chloride under any of the conditions of use in the scope of the rulemaking, including:
 - Processing – incorporation into a formulation, mixture, or reaction products
 - Industrial and commercial use as a solvent that becomes part of a formulation